



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Board of Public Utilities

Two Gateway Center
Newark, NJ 07102

AUDITS

**IN THE MATTER OF SUSSEX RURAL)
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE'S AUDIT GROSS)
RECEIPTS AND FRANCHISE TAXES FOR THE) ORDER
PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1991 THROUGH)
DECEMBER 31, 1998)
AUDIT NO. A-2868) Docket No. EA00030160**

(Service List Attached)

BY THE BOARD:

Pursuant to Board Order Docket No. ER97090656 et. al. and in accordance with Board approved audit procedures, the Bureau of Financial Audit (Audit Staff, or Staff) conducted an audit of Sussex Rural Electric Cooperative's ("Sussex Rural", "the Utility") Gross Receipts and Franchise Taxes ("GR&FT") imposed pursuant to P. L. 1991, c. 184, for the period January 1, 1991 through December 31, 1998. This audit was performed in accordance with the Order of Implementation of the Energy Tax Reform Act ("ETRA") P.L. 1997, c. 162. The audit was designed to determine the accuracy and propriety of the Utility's actual GR&FT collections from the ratepayers and associated payments to the State of New Jersey.

The Utility's collections are calculated on established GR&FT rates and applied to the applicable taxable kilowatt-hours. The variance in GR&FT collections from customers and payments to the tax authority results in the Utility's over or under collection of the GR&FT. The audit determined that the Utility under-recovered GR&FT in the aggregate amount of \$2,462.

Based upon its review of this entire matter, accept the findings of its Audit Staff and FINDS that the Utility under-collected GR&FT in the aggregate amount of \$2,462 for this audit period. The Board HEREBY ORDERS this audit closed.

DATE: April 19, 2000

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